# AXEFOR FALLOWS' PLUM TREE AFTER HE HAD SHAKEN NEAR

HALF A MILLION OFF IT. Comptroller Williams Supersedes Him in the New York Offices and Will Seek to Have About 80 Per Cent. of the Ex-

pensiveness Amended Out of the Law

State Comptroller Clark Williams has undertaken the job of lopping off the himbs even if he cannot eradicate the roots of the most prolific political plum tree in the State. His action has been decided upon after a thorough investigation into the proceedings of the transfer tax attorneys appointed by the Comptroller to assist in the collection of the inheritance taxes on estates in this county. The investigation was begun very soon after Mr. Williams was appointed to succeed

the late Charles Gaus and has just been

concluded. Edward H. Fallows, who as Assemblyman from Abe Gruber's district planted the plum tree ten years ago, is the officeholder on whose affairs Mr. Williams has centred the investigation. Mr. Fallows has shaken the plum tree to such effect that in seven years he has gathered pickings to the cash value of approximately \$450,000. No other politician in the State, in or out of Mr. Grubes's district, has received fees as valuable by half.

Mr. Williams has already taken steps to curtail Mr. Fallows's activities by withholding designations wact in inheritance tax cases and by superseding Mr. Fallows in the New York offices of the Comptroler's department at 128 Broadway. Allen P. Hallett, a lawyer of this city, now occupies the office vacated by Mr. Fallows. Mr. Hallett's official designation is "corporation tax commissioner," and it is inderstood that he has assisted the Comptroller in conducting the Fallows investi-

Mr. Williams, in other words, has gone as far as possible in shutting down on the fees until action amending the law is taken by the Legislature. Mr. Williams will recommend such action in his annua report, which will be submitted in a week er ten days.

The law as it now stands is the outfrowth of a legislative investigation of the Surrogate's office of this county in 1899. Mr. Fallows, who is a son of Bishop Fallows of the Reformed Episcopal Church, was a reform member of the Legislature that year and it was at his instance that a committee was appointed to look into extravagant methods of collecting the transfer tax by the New York Surrogate and his assistants. Mr. Fallows made chairman of the committee

The Fallows report spoke of the "neces sity of remedial legislation in the interests of justice and for the public good" and discussed soberly and earnestly "the exconsive cost to the State of collecting the transfer taxes"

It is said that the remedial legislation was suggested by Abe Gruber. It took he collection of the transfer tax away from the New York Surrogate, a Demoerat, and entrusted it to the State Comptroller, a Republican The Comptroller, moreover, was vested with power to appoint attorneys by the following section:

In proceedings to which the State Comp-29 and 230 of this article (Appointment of appraisers and Proceedings by Appraisers) he is authorized to designate and retain expenses thereby incurred out of the funds his tax in any case ir a county where he office of apprairer is salaried, and hall by warrant direct the count" treas trer to pay such expenses out of any funds his tax; provided, however, that in the sollection of taxes upon the estates of nonhall not allow for legal services up to and Surrogate fixing the tax a sum exceeding o per centum of the taxes and penalties

The attorney's fees provided by the law were 5 per cent. on the first \$500 of an state; 11/2 per cent. on the next \$49,500; per cent, on the next \$50,000, and one-half f | per cent. on the rest. These fees have een collectible on the appraised value of the estate of every deceased resident of this city and on the estate of every nonthe time of his death. Mr. Fallows. attorney, began collecting the fees

n the first year the reform statute was n effect, and with the exception of the two years of Democratic incumbency of the Comptroller's office has steadily increased his profits. In the first few years other attorneys got some of the plums. But on the inauguration of the ate Comptroller Gaus practically all of the picking was turned over to Mr. allows. Not only was he appointed attorney but he was vested with a broad power of attorney to act in lieu of the omptroller in respect of the transfer Ix business in this county.

In 1899 and 1900, the first two years of the reform measure, Mr. Fallows was a member of Assembly and did not devote his entire time to the collection of the fees. In 1899 he got only \$2,421. In the following year, being much more industrious, he took in \$26,862 and then

telt able to retire from the Legislature and devote all his energies to the newly legalized business. His fees in 1901 mounted to \$56,176. In 1902 there was a slight recession, the returns drop-ping to \$44,811, but the job \_\_he back 1 1903 with \$56,824 and brought in \$70,315 in 1904, \$75,980 in 1905 and \$70,319 in 1906. The years 1907 and 1908 were years of Democratic administration of the Comptroller's office and were barren for Mr. Fallows. The fees in those years went principally to John S. Jenkins, who was appointed at the instance of the last Senator McCarren. These years were, however, quite as expensive to the State. Mr. Fallows's bills in the first few months of 1900 were greater than in any revious period. Figures for the entire year are not available but a conservative estimate puts them at more than \$75,000. The total is thus at least \$450,000 for the tine years since Mr. Fallows retired from the Legislature. Including the last two years of his service in the Assembly the total is not far from half a million do It has been represented to Comptroller

under a system better insuring the State | THE NEW DEMOCRATIC ARMY

Mr. Williams is considering several methods of perfecting the system of appraisal and collection. It is probable that he will recommend that the entire work of appraising and collection be performed in his office and directly under his jurisdiction, just as, when Superintendent of Banks, he abolished the costly system of private receiverships and inaugurated a system of departmental business resulting in a saving of more than 80 per cent. in winding up the business of suspended banks. His recommendations in detail will not be made public until the submission of his report to the Legislature.

In the important business of appraising the estates Mr. Williams has already made a change. At present there are six appraisers with salaries of \$4,000 each and with authority to appoint a stenographer at \$1,500 each. The appraisers are James Yereance, F. K. K. Bowers, William Blau, Headly M. Green, Harvey T. Andrews and Harold M. Weeks. All of them are appointees designated by the Republican organization of this county Mr. Williams decided to take these important posts out of politics and the ffices have been put in the classified civil service. An examination for places on the eligible list, held on Saturday, attracted more than four hundred candi-

### MRS. MACKAY CALLS FOR HELP. Tells the Equal Franchisers What Is Being

Just as Mrs. Henry Miller, who was chairman of the meeting of the Equal Franchise Society which was held yesterday afternoon at the Garden Theatre was about to introduce Louis Anspacher. the speaker of the day, Mrs. Clarence Mackay hurried from her box to the stage and announced that there was something she must say.

You know that I have been to Albany, she began, "and that I had a talk with Gov. Hughes on the subject that is so near to our hearts, but perhaps you don't know how encouraging things look for the suffrage cause.

"Gov. Hughes was so friendly, and emed so anxious to get all the information I could give him concerning the progress of the movement, and so did Senator Davis. It is up to every one of us to let those men in Albany know that we are in earnest. We have allowed them to treat us like children for so many years that they do not understand the serious ness of our purpose. I have arranged for a hearing for Wednesday, March 9. I chose that day because there isn't any big bill coming up for consideration then, and they have agreed to let us have from 2 o'clock until half past 8. I hope that a large representation from this society will go up. In the meantime I want every one of you to find out in what Senatorial district and in what Assembly district you live and write to your Senator and attitude is on woman suffrage.

Representative asking him to do his best for our resolution. At least find out what has always been the custom to permit the antis to present their side of the question during the hearing and although I tried vegy hard to have theirs put for a different day this year it was impossible. "Senator Davis took me into the Judiciary Committee room and showed me a pile of mail on his desk. The only suffrage letter was one from Mrs. Gilbert Jones.

You see the antis are not idle. Remember now that it is up to you to prove to the Senators and Representatives that you have a deep and vital interest in this estion: that it really means somethin to you; that you are willing to work for the enfranchisement of women and if necessary to sacrifice yourselves for the

#### JURY GOT TO TRY MRS. FORD. She Is Alleged to Be the Woman in the Warriner Case.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 27.—The trial of Mrs. Jeannette Ford, the alleged woman in the Warriner case, charged with attempting to blackmail Warriner, began to-day. Mrs. Ford pleaded not guilty.

Judge Swing overruled the plea of Mrs. Ford's attorney that the indictment be quashed because, as he alleged, the County Prosecutor had a stenographer in the Grand Jury room.

The jury was selected with little difficulty. One man accepted as a juryman said he had never before heard of the Big Four shortage. An adjournment

taken until next Monday. Warriner, who was brought from the State penetentiary to testify, will be kept

in the county jail.

#### NEW PERIL IN THE SUBWAY. Traveller Jailed for Hours Because His Transfer May Have Been Wrong.

Denton Meeker, a young man cor nected with the business office of the New York Tribune, was arrested at the Third avenue and 149th street station of the subway at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon after a dispute with a ticket chopper, who said his transfer was dated minutes too early. He remaine locked up until Magistrate Corrigan discharged him in the night court at 10 o'clock last night. Meeker was trying to transfer from

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Meeker was trying to transfer from the elevated to the subway. He says it was between 3:10 and 3:15 o'clock when he went down the stairs. C. J. Jordan, the tloket chopper, says it was just 3:30 when Meeker presented a transfer which he says was given him at the tloket window upstairs and Jordan took it.

A moment later Jordan went after him and said the transfer was too old—that at that minute transfers ought to be marked 4 o'clock instead of 3 o'clock. A guard said Meeker would have to pay another fare or get off the platform. Meeker declined to pay the fare and was arrested.

arrested.

In the night court, where Meeker was charged with disorderly conduct, Magistrate Corrigan did not bother to go into the merits of the twenty minutes late business, but said he couldn't see how the railroad could prove that the transfer exhibited was or was not the one which Meeker had presented or that he had not received it as he said he had.

# Joy Rider Gets Six Months

James McManus, a joy rider, was sentenced by County Judge Rovert Carey in Jersey City yesterday to six months imprisonment in the Hudson county penitentiary. He took an automobile from his former employer's garage without permission and gave a party of friends a wild ride. The trip wound up with a collision and the machine was wrecked. Judge Carey said that joy riding would have to stop.

TOURS TO FLORIDA.

Fortnightly trips to Jacksonville by speculiman trains; February 8 and 32. Fennsylva aliroad. Only 350 round trip from New Younguly Ticket Agents, or C. Studds, D. P. A., ifth Avenus, New York.—Adv. Williams that the inheritance taxes could Railroad be collected for at most a fifth of the cost Fifth A

LEAGUE FORMS ORGANIZATION TO COVER THE STATE

Goes In for Its Own Kind of Direct Nominations and Ballot Reform-Thomas Osborne Made Leader of the League Forces-It Puts Out a Platform

ALBANY, Jan. 27.-The Democratic League of New York, the outcome of the Saratoga conference last September, assembled at the Hotel Ten Eyck this afternoon, organized a general committee of 450 covering every county in the State and elected former Mayor Thomas M. Osborne of Auburn chairman of the general committee, and inasmuch as Mr. Osborne has been chairman of the executive committee since the inception of the movement he is now the official leader of the organization. Francis A. Willard of Oneida was elected secretary and [Col. William G. Rice of Albany was made

reasurer. The league adopted an organization ominations and reform in the ballot and primary laws, which are to be submitted to the Legislature by Senator Thomas Francis Grady and Assemblyman Frisbie, the minority leaders in the Senate and Assembly, and former Supreme Court Justice D-Cady Herrick of Albany made a speech which received the loudest applause of the day, in which he called for an investigation of the high prices of food in the State.

In the evening there was a reception in the Hotel Ten Tyck for the visiting Mayors and other Democrats, and altogether the day was voted to be an entire success by those directly interested.

Chairman Osborne of the executive committee in opening the proceedings at 2 o'clock this afternoon read the call. for the election of a general committee and then announced the official action of the executive committee in determining the purposes of the league to be as follows: To spread the knowledge of fundamental

Democratic or liberal principles. party organization as the best and most into effect.

To bring back into the party in this State such Democrate as disgust with its failure to stand for its principles and distrust of its recent leadership have driven out. To aid in the nomination and election of such Democrats as worthily represent liberal principles and are not mere self-To aid in the selection of such men to

direct the party organization as represent the character and intelligence of the party and not its baser elements

The proper policy of the Democratic League is to ignore the present leaders are they do not represent the character and intelligence of the party and seek by future the selection and election of proper

For this purpose its members should be personally willing to strike hands with all Democrats, however we may have differed with them in the past, to secure the triumph of Democratic principles and the ccess of Democratic candidates so as they represent those principles. Only by such united action can victory be won. The n

#### the league were then read, as follows: Albany-William T. Mayer, John F. Noe, C. F.

derley. Broome Henry C. Jackson Cattaraugus-Clare Willard Cayuga—Thomas M. Osborne Chautauqua—Walter H. Ed:

Chemung-Boyd McDowell. George S. Bixby. Cortland—E. W. Hyatt. Delaware—John G. Moo

Dutchess-John E. Sague, E. Lyman Brown Erie-John G. Cloak, William A. Douglass, august F. Meyer. William H. Ryan, George Ammerman, John W. Newak, Myron Blackmon, Dr. William Caertner, Herbert P. Bissell

Essex—John Anderson, Jr. Franklin—William L. Allen. Fulton-Hamilton-Scott Partridge. -M. J. Far ley Herkimer-William F. Lansing Jefferson-A. Ray Cornwall, John N. Carlisle

Kings-Augustus Van Wyck, Edward M. epard, William B. Hurd, A. Augustus Healy, J. Edward Swanstrom, B. J. York, William P. Wuest, Alexander McKinney, Herman A. Metz, M. E. O'Connor, M. J. Harris, Walter L. Durack, Moses Rubenstein, Otto Kempner, James L. ennett, Charles H. Fuller, Edward Lazanski adolph Reimer, Jr., Alonzo J. McLaughli tudolph Reimer, Jr., Alonzo J. McLaughlin tharles Jerome Edwards, Richard W. Bain ridge, Walter E. Warner, Walter C. Burton.

Lewis-George Stephens Reed. Livingston-Fletcher C. Peck. Madison—J. Clarence Rasbach.
Mouroe—L. M. Antisdale, Milton E. Gibbs.
oward T. Mosber, Frederick W. Smith, James E.

Montgomery-George C. Stewart. New York-Morgan J. O'Brien. Herman Ridder. R. Curtis, D-Cady Herrick (proxy for William S R. Curus, B-Cady nerick (proxy for William S. Rodie), Edward C. Whitaker, Robert G. Monroe, Lee Kohns, the Hon. Alton B. Parker, Henry De Forest Baldwin, William Travers Jerome, John Fox, Frederic R. Coudert, James R. Ely, Alfred F. Seligiberg, Thomas M. Muiry, E. J. McGuire, George L. Rives, Frank L. Polk, Henry V. Dewell, Altred J. Talley, Stephen Percent M. Powell, Alfred J. Talley, Stephen Farrelly John H. J. Ronner, Henry H. Sherman, John A Henneberry, John J. Quinlan, Thomas Crimmine ontgomery Hare, S. Stanwood Menken, Danie

Nassau--Frederick N. Watriss. Niagara-S. Wright McCollum, J. W. H. Kelley. Oneida--Edward E. Dorn, Francis A. Willard. Onondaga---William G. Stuart, T. W. Meachem -Frederick N. Watriss.

Ontario—D. J. Van Auken.
Orange—Benjamin McClung, MacGrane Coxe.
Oswego—John C. Knight. Oswego—John C. Knight Orleans—William B. Dye.

ns Charles G. Mayer, Joak Fowler, J. on Leach, Clarence Edwards. selacr Seymour Van Santvoord, H. O'R.

Richmond-Eugene Lamb Richards, Jr. Rockland-Thomas H. Lee. St. Lawr-nce-George F. Darrow, R. E. Heffer Saratoga H. J. Delaney. henectady—Bryce F. Morrobarie—De Witt C. Dow.

ca Jasper N. Hammond. Spen – John Comosh, W. H. Greenhow. olk – Eugene W. Lane, Edwin B. Dusen. lullivan—A. M. Scriber. Sullivan—A. M. Scriber.
Tioga—Clarence S. Mallery.
Tompkins—Charles E. Treman.
Ulatar—C. Gordon Reel, T. E. Benedict.
Warren—Elmer J. West.
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-William E. Leffingweit.

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So That She May Marry the Poor Physician on Whom She Has Set Her Heart.

Carl Jorn, the operatic tenor, told reporters yesterday that he had agreed to permit his wife, who came over here recently on a flying visit, to get a divorce so that she may marry a Berlin physician and that he also has agreed to give he \$25,000 in cash and an income of \$1,000 a year until she is married again.

Their trouble, he said, had come about through a difference of tastes. He and his wife had grown apart and both had come to realize that they could not agree again

She remained in Europe when Mr. Jorn came to this country to sing and, Mr. Jorn said, fell in love during his absence with a Berlin physician. This physician. Mr. Jorn said, is poor and has but a small practice. When Jorn heard of the matter he sent for his wife and she joined him in this country, bringing their oldest daughter. Gretchen, with her.

Mr. Jorn showed yesterday the agree ment which he and his wife have signed. was witnessed by the German Consul-The tenor said that he had given his wife all the money he had before she sailed for her return to Europe and that plan for the State, drafted bills for direct he was going to pay the rest of the \$25,000 as soon as he could. He added that she would need the money when she started housekeeping.

The children, the agreement provides are to go to Mrs. Jörn.

# FIERCE BRITISH STRIKE RIOT.

Hartlepool Coal Miners Burn Their Own \$50,000 Clubhouse-Angry at New Law. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Jan. 27 .- A strike at the Horden colliery at West Hartlepool, owing to dissatisfaction in connection with the new eight hours act, led to several disturbances during the last few days. The worst outbreak occurred to-day, when strikers looted a village shop and attacked the house of the colliery manager. They mashed every window in the building and terrorized the inhabitants.

The manager, hoping to frighten the rioters or to summon the police, fired a shotgun and injured a lad. The mob then forced an entrance into the house in an attempt to lynch the manager, who took refuge upstairs. The police arrived in time to protect him.

While the police were thus occupied another party of strikers set fire to a large new clubhouse which the colliers managers had built and equipped for their men at a cost of \$50,000. The building was soon consumed, together with its contents, consisting of books, furniture, gymnastic outfit and billiard

The tradesmen of the town momentarily expect that their premises will be looted. More police are being sent to protect them

#### MEDAL FOR BEST TENEMENT and Another for Best Apartment Hous Built This Year.

The New York chapter of the American Institute of Architects dining by themselves at the University Club last evening listened to Arnold W. Brunner, president of the chapter, who talked on the beautification of the city. Mr. Brunner acknowl edged that we were doing bits here and there but said that we were not seriously considering the city as a real problem.

"For instance," he said, "we carefully guard Central Park from any encroach ments but can arouse no enthusiasm for ervation of City Hall or Batter parks." He observed that large sums had been given by public spirited citizens for a great State reservation in the lower Hudson Valley, adding that nobody cared, however, "if Madison Square Garden is torn down and replaced by a busi-

Mr. Brunner said that the chapter should be among New York's best citizens and that its members should not neglect their duties.

"Even if the architect be considered perely as a scene painter," he said, "who provides the background for the great events of life, do you realize that there are miles upon miles of ugly, depressing seedery in our city? If you doubt it look upon the thousands of tenement houses and apartment houses that are annually

"As citizens we want these things so much that we architects of this chapter have decided to offer a medal to the owne of the best tenement house and the owner of the best apartment house erected dur-

ing the year." He also announced that Pierre Le Brur had given \$12,500 to the chapter to found a travelling scholarship, the interest to defray expenses of young architects travelling in Europe to study archiecture.

#### STATE AND U. S. COURTS CLASH. Georgia Judge Says Internal Revenue Men Must Give Evidence.

ATLANTA, Jan. 27.—United States Judge Newman to-day decided that Government Gauger Stegall need not testify before a Georgia Grand Jury as to violation of the prohibition law, and a serious clash is probable between State and Federal courts.

Gauger Stegall some time ago refused to testify before the Dade county Grand Jury about the operation of a "wildcat" still and was promptly put in jail by

Judge A. W. File. Stegall was brought before United States Judge Newman on a writ of habeau corpus, who to-day held that the State court could not force Stegall to testify and dismissed him.

To-night Judge File practically deflect Judge Newman by announcing that revenue officials would be forced estify. Judge File said:

The decision will not deter me from doing my duty. Subpænas have been issued for Collector Rucker, Gauger Stegall and Storekeeper Johnson, and they will be forced to tell what they know about viola tions of the State prohibition law. Should these Federal officials defy the State court

## Bill to Prevent Oral Betting.

ALBANY, Jan. 27 .- A bill prohibiting oral bookmaking as well as the laying of bets on horse races was introdu to-day by Assemblyman Perkins (Rep., Binghamton). Owners of racetracks are rendered criminally liable if they have any place on a racecourse available for betting purposes.

POUR FINE PLORIDA TRAINS saboard Air Line, shortest, quickest, dys routs. Ing., 1185 Bway.—Adv.

# TENOR JORN ENDOWS HIS WIFE STAGES GO BACK ON THE DRIVE

PARK BOARD DECIDES TO DO WHAT THE MAYOR WANTS.

Bronx Commissioner Wants to Know if It Won't Hurt the Trees and President Stover Replies That if It Does the Stages Can Re Ordered Off Again.

When Park Commissioner Kennedy got over from Brooklyn yesterday and Park Commissioner Higgins arrived from The Bronx President Stover of the Park Board, as requested by Mayor Gaynor, offered a resolution to let the two story stages into Riverside Drive by repealing this ordinance:

No vehicle of any kind or description measuring over ten feet from the tread of the wheel to the highest portion of the vehicle, whether propelled by muscular or motive power, shall be allowed to run along any driveway of any park or parkway under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks.

"Why should we repeal this ordinance?" the member from The Bronx asked

missioner for Manhattan and Richmond I have received a number of letters demanding its repeal in behalf of the public," responded the president of the board. "I have been in conference with the Corporation Counsel and with his Honor the Mayor in regard to the matter, and I believe its repeal is for the public interest

"Since I have been appointed as Com-

"If these high stages are permitted to run on Riverside Drive and other parkways what effect will it have on the trees? Mr. Higgins inquired.

"I have been over the Riverside Drive in a carriage to take observations," said Mr. Stover, "and I presume the high vehicles will have some effect on the trees. Just how much I am not able to say at to the roadbed, but on this point I am not in a position to say positively."

"A chauffeur of one of those stages was arrested for violation of the ordinance and the case is still in the courts," put in the Brooklyn member. "I understand that the case was to be taken to the Court CLINTON H. SMITH PUT BACK of Appeals as a test. What effect will any action have on this if we repeal the ordinance?"

"The court case will then fall flat. There will be no case," said Mr. Stover. "Would the city be liable for damages for having caused the arrest of the chauf-

"Not at all. The arrest was legal. said Commissioner Stover. "I have been informed that residents of Riverside Drive and others who were in favor of the original ordinance propose to attack the validity of the franchise held by the Fifth Avenue Coach Company, which operates the high stages. The Park Department has nothing to do with that phase of the matter."

A vote was then taken and the ordinance was repealed by the votes of the full

Commissioner Stover sent a letter to President Richard W. Meade of the Fifth Avenue Coach Company, notifying him He remarked to the other members the board that if it was found that the

#### the board could reenact the ordinance. AN'T BANISH THIS PRINCE. George of Servia Laughs at His Father's Attempt to Punish His Crazy Freak.

high stages injured the trees or roadbed

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
BELGRADE, Jan. 27.—Former Crown Prince George, who resigned his right of succession and who, because of his radical utterances, was ordered banished from the capital, laughs at the order that he must leave Belgrade. He refuses to leave the capital, and it is thought it would be dangerous to attempt to expel him, as he has many friends among the young

After his last ebullitions the Cabinet threatened to resign unless his father, King Peter, banished him, and the War Office ordered him to take command of an infantry regiment in an obscure part of the country.

The Cabinet is now satisfied with the insertion of a court communiqué in the Official Gazette which states that George must be considered temporarily banished from the court. This is received with ridicule by the people, as the Prince living only 500 yards from the palace.

#### DEATH ENDS ODD CAREER. Rich Man Had Pald Same Hotel One Dolla Every Day for 20 Years.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 27 .- W. S. Chambers retired glass manufacturer, was found lead in bed in an obscure Pittsburg hotel this morning.

Mr. Chambers retired from active life about twenty years ago and since that time had been living at this same hotel. Papers found on his person and in a safety deposit box show that his wealth is in the neighborhood of \$250,000.

In middle life Chambers was divorced from his wife and since that time had been morose. Every morning for almost twenty years he had appeared at the desk of the hotel, and laid down \$1 to pay for his meals that day and his bed in room No. 20 over night.

HORSE THROWS GEN. WEYLER. Captain-General of Barcelona Thrown to the Pavement Unconscious

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
MADRID, Jan. 27.—As Gen Weyler, Captain-General of Barcelona, was riding in that city to-day his horse fell, throw ing the General. He was nearly run over by a carriage

as he lay unconscious. He was taken home severely shaken and bruised Taft Gives Ald to Burned College

### ATLANTA, Jan. 27.—Sending a check for \$50 to aid in rebuilding Morris Brown College, the Atlanta negro institution which recently burned, President Taft says in part:

"I was sorry to hear of the burning of the Morris Brown College, but I am glad to know you are struggling to rebuild it. I herewith send check for \$50 as contribution to fund. This is a small check, but I have a great many calls."

pannsylvania Railread, account Mardi Gras. Tickets sold January 51 to February 5, 330.75 to Mobile or Penssola. Consult Ticket Agents.

# MURPHY SEES MAYOR AGAIN.

posed to Have Urged the Retention of Some Tammany Officeho Mayor Gaynor had for visitors yester

day Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tam-many Hall; John D. Rockefeller, Jr., the foreman of the special Grand Jury that s probing the white slave traffic, and

Mr. Murphy called, it is understood to urge the retention in office of some l'ammany men who are fearing that they

Mr. Rockefeller talked with the Mayor about his proposal to have the city appropriate money for the employment of inspectors to get evidence against the white slave traffickers. The Mayor sccepted an invitation from Mr. Belmont to attend a dinner to the Japanese Ambassador on February 18.

#### EL MAR ON THE MUD AND OFF. Morgan Line Freighter Grounds Off Rockaway Point.

The Morgan Line freighter El Mar, Capt. Freeman, from Galveston, while groping through the fog to port yesterday morning grounded about a mile off Rockaway Point. A power boat from the Rockaway Point life saving station under Capt. D B. Abrams reached her early in the afternoon and found her resting easily in bed of mud. The Merritt-Chapman steamers Relief and I. J. Merritt went alongside El Mar and their skippers united with Capt. Freeman in deciding to wait until high tide before attempting to release the liner. She was floated at 8:40 o'clock, apparently undama ged, and came to her North River pier.

### MORE PAY FOR READING MEN. Engineers Notified of an Advance Averag-

ing 18 Per Cent. READING, Pa., Jan. 27 .- General Man ager A. T. Dice of the Reading Railroad to-day gave notice that beginning February 1 there would be an increase of wages for all the engineers, bringing the rate up to that paid on other system They may also do some damage | in this country. The increase will average about 18 per cent.

The order came as the result of a con ference between Mr. Dice and a committee of enginemen repre system. It will affect 1,200 men.

### Secretary of the Park Board, New With \$4,000 Salary.

Col. Clinton H. Smith was appointed secretary to the Park Board yesterday afternoon, salary \$4,000. The salary use to be \$4,800. Smith's appointment was made to date from January 1.

For more than a quarter of a century Smith was assistant secretary of the board. He was ousted in the latter part of last December after he had appeared as a witness before Commis counts Mitchel. He was asked at the inquiry what were the duties of Private Secretary Nagle and how often Nagle appeared in the Arsenal.

"God knows, I don't. I never see him except on pay day," the assistant secretary responded.

## FOR CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

ssioner Dennett Ordered to Sho ause Why He Should Not Be Prosecuted Washington, Jan. 27 .- Fred Dennett Commissioner of the General Land Office was served with a notice to-day by an officer of the local humane society to cuted for cruelty to animals, the specific charge being that as Land Commissioner he had permitted cruelty to be inflicted on two mules hitched to a wago

that delivered coal to the Land Office. Mr. Dennett after some investigatio discovered the source of the complain He had no knowledge of the coal delivery and did not own the mules or contr

the animals or their driver. "I suppose since the Congressional investigation is under way that I am under suspicion generally," said the Commissioner, "and will be called on to establish an alibi to nearly every offence that is committed in this vicinity. Fortunately in this case I can establish

### my innocence. GREEK CABINET DRIVEN OUT Premier Makes a Pretence of Resisting

the Despotic Military League. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
ATHENS, Jan. 27.—The Cabinet, head y M. Mavromichalis, has been upset by the Military League, which is now the co

trolling body in the affairs of Greece. The Ministers held a protracted sessi last night, at which it was decided to tender their resignations to King George. Later Premier Mavromichalis decided to meet Parliament before he resigns and compel a hostile vote so as to avoid the

appearance of yielding to the dictation of he Military League.
It is believed that M. Diagmus will be entrusted with the formation of a new

#### Ministry. DROWNED IN BRONX RIVER.

Florian Weber's Wife Thinks It Was Accidental-He Had Been III. While Curator Raymond L. Ditmars o he Bronx Zoo was doing some work in

a boathouse on the bank of the Bronx River in the park yesterday afternoon boys rushed in and told him they had see the body of a man floating in the river. Ditmars went out in a rowboat and found the body and towed it in. The man was Florian Weber of

Cauldwell avenue, manager for Max Ames & Co., produce merchants, of 372 Greenwich street. He had complained of feeling ill lately. On Wednesday he left for his office long after his customary hour. He was not seen after that. His wife said that he may have killed himself, but she thought his death was accidental.

Weber was 49 years old. He was well known among the Germans in The Brong and was secretary of the Melrose branch of the Turn Verein.

#### LATHAM FALLS 150 FEET. Aviator Not Hurt, but Machine S in Mishap in Egypt.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. was making a flight at Heliopolis this afternoon something happened to his monoplane and he fell 150 feet.

marvellously escaped injury. RETAW, a bracer, the morning

# FLOOD MENACES THE LOUVRE

BUT RIVERS FALL AND PARIS

HOPES THE WORST IS OVER.

At Least a Hundred Lives Lost in City -Brave Rescuers Drowned-100,000 People Out of Work-The Damage

Enormous-Danger of an Epid Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. PARIS, Jan. 28., 1:30 A. M.—The flood is coming down from the upper reaches

faster than it escapes below the city and consequently the river is still rising here. Water is pouring over the parapet on the Cours de la Reine on the south side of the Place de la Concorde. Soldiers are rapidly building ramparts on the

troops has been placed around the Place de la Concorde. Many of the stree in total darkness and are completely de-Part of the pavement-on the Quai des

If the parapet breaks the whole Ch

Elysées will be swamped. A cordo

walls with bags of cement.

Grands Augustins caved in to-night and fell on the Orleans Railway. An official statement issued at midn predicts that the Seine will reach its maximum flood between 3 and 6 o'clock this morning. Both the Marne and the upper

Seine are subsiding. The water has penetrated the ba of the Louvre. Several bridges have been closed, the engineers regarding them as

It is probably no exaggeration to say that half the streets and squares of Paris are under water and that the other half have water under them. Street after street is being closed as fresh subside There is much anxiety regarding the

Place de la Concorde. The city archi-tects say that more is to be feared from diminution of the flood than from the present pressure, because as the waters sink a suction will be created under the bridges and quays which may dislocate One fact supporting those who do

believe that the flood has yet reached its greatest magnitude is a change of wind to the eastward. This may presage a thaw of the snow in the provinces. this case, the waters will undo rise again PARIS, Jan. 27.-The Seine began to subside shortly before midday to-day,

and in a short time a drop of six inc recorded. The first signs of a fall of waters were hailed with joy by excited crowds who were watching the torrent from the quays. It was impossible, however, to augur from this a continued recession of water, especially in view of the official

weather forecasts. Nevertheless it was a hopeful sign that the sun shone brightly all the forenoon, showing itself for a longer time than since the middle of De-There came too encouraging reports from the upper reaches of the Seine, but for hours after the first decline there was

little with which to support hope. The

level fluctuated or remained stationary,

and at 5 o'clock this afternoon it was ob-

served that the water was rising steadi at the rate of an inch an hour. Later it appeared to be subsiding again. M. Millerand, Minister of Public Works said to-night there was reason to believe that the maximum of the flood had passed and that hope was justifiable. On the

other hand, some engineers are less confident. They fear a further increase The cold increased at nightfall and the mercury dropped below freezing point. The still lagoons in the streets were frozen over and pumps everywhere were deco-

Even if the flood now recedes unchecked the worst is not over. Subsidences of the earth continue and are likely to increase, endangering numbers of buildings, among which are some of historical importance. The extent of this danger is as yet unknown. The water has so percolated everywhere that foundations may be found to be sapped n unexpected directions at surprising

distances from the river. Then there is the task of feeding and housing the many thousands of refugees. Above all, there is the spectre of disease which haunts the administrative authorities and the public alike. A conference of leading physicians and health officers has been arranged to devise regulation to prevent or combat typhoid fever and other possible epidemics.

This danger, which was alluded to in yesterday's despatches to THE SUN. eems to grow even more menacing now that attention is partially diverted from anxiety concerning the height of the river itself. A large part of Paris finds itself without a sewerage system. Many of the sewers have burst, while others are choked with mud. Numbers of cellars contain beneath the flood water deposits of filth. Some of the streets are strewn with refuse. One gets unpleasant olfactory evidence of this as one passes through some of the thoroughfares. The river itself has an unpleasant odor.

The work of rescue and the supply of food have gone on all day without interruption. Many more men, including a number of sailors from the northern and western ports, are now employed in this labor. All work with gallant devotion, which received recognition this afterno when the Chamben of Deputies for recorded its admiration of the zeal and resources of these gallant men. Many of the Deputies, by the way, reached the Chamber pick-a-back, their carriess wearing long sewer boots, the temporary bridge that was built to span the flood having proved inadequate.

The question of the price of food was also raised in the Chamber to-day. M. Briand, the Prime Minister, won applause by promising that the Government would intervene to prevent an unwarranted increase in values. It must be admitted that a large majority of the retailers have refrained from attempting to profit by the people's distress in respect of staple commodities. The chief rise has been in foods which are more or less uries. Coal, wood and petroluem, however, have risen considerably.

The Senate adopted this afternoon a short bill extending the time for the pay The machine was smashed, but Latham ment of taxes by sufferers in the flo

To-day as yesterday the food as